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For: METHOD AND APPARATUS  
FOR INPUT RATE REGULATION  
ASSOCIATED WITH A PACKET  
PROCESSING PIPELINE

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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Dear Sir:

Prior to examination of the above referenced application, Applicants respectfully request the Examiner enter the following amendments and consider the following remarks.

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IN THE CLAIMS

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Please add new claims 13-42.

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13. (New) An apparatus for regulating traffic offered to a network by a first user of said network and a second user of said network, said apparatus comprising:

- a) a first pipeline stage that retrieves, in response to a first packet being sent from said first user to said network, a first input flow identifier